



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Faith, Hope and Love

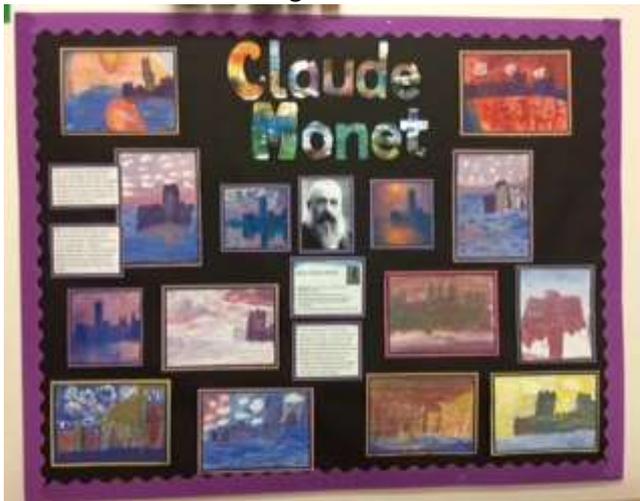
Friday 23rd October 2020

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Silke
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Crannitch
Inclusion Lead: Mr Anthony Chavez

A message from your Headteacher, Mrs Silke:

We have had a truly wonderful half term with the children who have worked really hard to catch up on missed learning during lockdown. Thank you to all parents and carers who have been so patient and understanding about the new staggered school days and other Covid measures.

Oak Class' Amazing Artwork



Willow Class' Amazing Art work



Art at St Paul's

We have many talented artists at St Paul's. Oak Class have been studying Monet and were inspired by his paintings of the River Thames to create their own pictures using 'impressionist' techniques.

Willow Class have been studying the human form and figures in paintings. They were inspired by a variety of Artists to create their own in a similar style. The four artists were; Boccioni, Emile Nolde, Leon Bakst and Robert Delauney.

NSPCC Collective Worship

This week all the children have been learning about staying safe on line. Redwood Class sent some feedback to Mrs Crannitch and they agreed with the NSPCC advice:

- That you should not bully others online
- We should not call people names or say swear words
- Don't tell anyone you don't know things about yourself, e.g. where you live

But they also added that:

- We should care for others online by saying nice/kind things
- We should not give our phone number to anyone we don't know
- Do not agree to go to someone's house if you do not know them

Well done Redwood Class 🍪

Collective Worship about Happiness for Children

We explained to the children that if you do kind caring things for others it fills up their 'bucket' of happiness as well as their own – this is known as bucket filling. We also explained through the story if you are unkind to others you are taking away from their happiness bucket. This is known as 'bucket' dipping.

The Children in Willow Class came up with the following excellent ideas for filling buckets:

- holding doors open
- saying please and thankyou
- telling a joke and making someone laugh
- helping other children with their work
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Larch Class thought of the following ways that they can fill buckets for their families at home:

- cleaning dishes
- tidying their rooms
- making tea for their mums
- being kind to people
- not laughing when someone falls over
- listening more carefully
- doing household chores was a big bucket filler for most of the children
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Well done Willow and Larch Class. 😊

Meet the Head Meetings and RWInc Phonics

Thank you to all of you who have already booked your place at one of the meetings below. If you have not already done so please do asap as the places are going fast. The meeting will include very important information about RWInc phonics and what you can do at home to help your child. There will be juice and biscuits available and every parent attending will have their name put into a raffle for a £25 Amazon voucher at each meeting. We will be giving free RWInc resources for children in Sycamore, Maple and Ash class but you must attend one of the meetings in order to know how to use them. The meetings will be held on:

Tuesday 3rd November 9am, Wednesday 4th November 9am and Thursday 5th November 9am.

Please note that these are identical meetings so you only need to attend one. I am just trying to offer several options so that parents from every family have an opportunity to meet me and also get key information about RWInc phonics. We will need you to return the slip below and return to the office to book your place at the meeting you wish to attend so that we know how many chairs need to be put out. Due to social distancing we can only accommodate one parent/carer per family unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please ensure you have the NHS Covid 19 app on your phone so you can scan the track and trace QR on entry. You can download it free from apple store or google play.

Secondary School Admissions

The closing date for applications for a Secondary school place for **September 2021 is 31st October 2020**. Please see our website in the parents section for links on how to apply. If you are a Southwark resident you need to apply online using their application. If you live in another Local Authority you need to apply online using their form. If you have any difficulty applying online please contact the Secondary admissions department of your Local Authority or call the office and we will see what we can do to help.

Device Access for Remote Learning In The Event Of Lockdown Registration For DfE Free School Meals (FSM status)

I would like to make you aware that the DfE devices that are being given to schools are limited in numbers and have to be given to families that are entitled to DfE registered free school meals as a priority. All children at St Paul's are entitled to receive a free school dinner, which is an initiative unique to Southwark LA. This is totally different to having FSM status in line with the DfE criteria and it is only FSM children who are entitled to benefits such as the government supermarket vouchers when they are available or access to a device if they do not have one. To be eligible for DfE FSM status you need to be in receipt of one of the benefits listed below:

- Income Support.
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190).
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

If you do meet any of the above criteria and you have not yet registered for FSM status then please complete the attached form and email the office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk.

If you are already registered with us for FSM and you do not have access to sufficient appropriate devices please contact the office.

Up-To Date Contact Details – Arbor Communication and Safeguarding

Thank you to those of you who have informed us of your new phone and email contact details. If you have not done so please email the office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk as soon as possible. We have emailed this newsletter to you on Friday so if you did not receive it we do not have the correct email for you.

A Prayer For Our Children And Their Families

Heavenly Father

**We pray that you will keep our children
and their families safe and well
during the half term holiday and
that their homes will give them a
sense of calm and inner peace**

during this time of the Corona virus pandemic.

We thank you Lord for the strength and guidance

You have given our children this half term

as they have worked hard to catch up on their missed learning.

We thank you for the gifts and talents of every child at St Paul's

and ask that you guide them and support

them when they are faced with challenges.

In the name of your son Jesus Christ

Amen.

Love and prayers to you all,

The St Paul's Team

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I would like to book a place at the 'Meet the HT and RWinc phonics meeting: (please tick):

My Children's names and class are.....

Tuesday 3rd November at 9am

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